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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

**TSAO**

APPLICATION NO: **09/963,732**

FILED: **SEPTEMBER 26, 2001**

FOR: **STABILIZED HYDROGEN PEROXIDE SOLUTIONS**

EXAMINER:

**J. PAK**

ART UNIT: **1616**

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 22313

June 17, 2003

**ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Sir:

The Election Requirement dated March 26, 2003 from Examiner J. Pak of Art Unit 1616 has been received and reviewed. The following is in response thereto.

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**ELECTION**

Examiner has required Applicant to elect a single disclosed species of (i) a source of hydrogen peroxide and (ii) a hydrogen peroxide stabilizer.

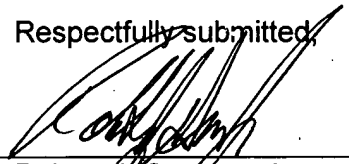
Accordingly, Applicant elects (i) sodium perborate and (ii) diethylene triamine penta(methylenephosphonic acid).

**REMARKS**

Should the Examiner believe that a discussion with Applicant's representative would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned.

Please address all correspondence to Novartis Corporation, Corporate Intellectual Property, One Health Plaza, Bldg. 430, East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees with may be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

Respectfully submitted,



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